



PATENT APPLICATION

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This response is in reply to the Office Action dated September 30, 2002.

Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace paragraphs [0001], [0002], [0004], [0005] and [0006] as follows:

A/ [0001] The present invention relates to a non-melting fleshed clingstone processing peach variety [*Prunus persica* (L.) Batsch], varietal name 'V75024', that is disease resistant, high quality, cold tolerant and productive.

A2 [0002] 'V75024' originated at the Horticultural Research Institute of Ontario (now the Department of Plant Agriculture, University of Guelph) at Vineland Station, Ontario, Canada. It arose as a single selection from the seedling population of V75024 that was derived from a controlled cross of 'Suncling' (unpatented) and 'New Jersey Cling 81' (unpatented) made in 1975. The selection was made in 1981 and then was asexually propagated by budding on peach seedling rootstock in the research nursery at Vineland Station. Comparative records of